# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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CROP IMPROVEMENT AND MANAGEMENT
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) the measures taken by the Government in the field of crop improvement and management;

(b) the details of the efforts made with respect to major crops like foodgrains, pulses, oilseed, sugarcane and cotton, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) the funds sanctioned and spent during the last three years, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the plans to be formulated in future in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): To increased the production and productivity of Foodgrains, Pulses, Sugarcane and Cotton, following Centrally Sponsored Schemes are under implementation:

(1) Mini Mission-II of Technology Mission on Cotton.
(2) Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm and Maize (ISOPOM).
(3) Macro Management Mode of Agriculture subsuming Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Wheat/Rice/Coarse Cereals Based Cropping Areas (ICDP-Wheat, ICDP-Rice, ICDP-Coarse Cereals) and Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping System Areas (SUBACS).

Under these schemes, assistance is provided for various inputs like seeds, agriculture implements, water saving devices, integrated pest management, transfer of crop production and plant protection technology through demonstrations and training of farmers and extension workers.

(c): A statement indicating State-wise allocation and expenditure under these schemes viz. Mini Mission-II of Technology Mission on Cotton, ISOPOM and Macro Management Mode of Agriculture as a whole with various schemes including schemes of ICDP-Wheat, ICDP-Rice & ICDP-Coarse Cereals and SUBACS during the last three years are given in Annexure-I.

(d): In the XI Five Year Plan besides above, the Government has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme `National Food Security Mission` (NFSM) to enhance the production of rice, wheat and pulses by 10, 8 and 2 million tonnes respectively by the end of XI Five Year Plan. The National Food Security Mission has three components viz. NFSM − Rice, NFSM- Wheat and NFSM-Pulses. The scheme has become operational from Rabi 2007-08. It is being implemented in 305 districts of 16 States of the country. The NFSM-Rice is implemented in 133 districts of 12 States, i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal. The NFSM-Wheat is being implemented in 138 districts of 9 States i.e. Bihar, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Gujarat. The NFSM-Pulses is being implemented in 168 identified districts in 14 States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Punjab, Bihar, Orissa, Chhattisgarh and West Bengal. Under NFSM, assistance is provided on demonstration of improved production technology, distribution of quality seeds of HYVs and hybrids, popularization of newly released varieties, support for micro nutrients, gypsum, zero tillage, rotavators, weeders and other farm implements, integrated pest management, integrated nutrient management, water lifting and moisture saving devices, training and mass media campaign including awards for best performing districts etc.